

## THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1889.

## The New Liquor Law.

The passage of the Local Option High License Bill by a Republican Legislature one year ago was made the occasion for a loud howl of disapproval from liquor dealers throughout the State. The signal was given for an attack all along the line. A Legislature was to be elected which would at once repeal the law and restore the old condition of things.

Money was freely used and a Democratic Legislature elected. The liquor dealers gathered in force at Trenton. A bill to repeal last year's law was introduced. It met with serious resistance. Members from counties which had voted in favor of prohibiting the sale of liquors strenuously opposed the law. The caucus whip was applied without avail. The Werts' bill which has finally passed the Legislature and become a law is a compromise agreed upon by the liquor men and the temperance men from South Jersey. It may mean much or little. Like all compromise measures it is likely to prove unsatisfactory to all parties. Retaining the high license features of the old law, it contains a township local option section, which is claimed by liquor men to be unconstitutional and by temperance men to be constitutional.

At any rate the rates fixed last year will remain as before. In this town the license fee will remain at one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars. Under this law Bloomfield received over \$1,600 from license fees last year, against about \$600 before. If there are thirty hotels in the town the amount received should be much larger.

There is nothing oppressive about a license fee of \$150. Saloon-keepers can well afford to pay it. Their business requires less capital and returns larger profit than almost any other. Instances might be given of parties who have paid the entire cost of their property in a few years. In fact the present fee is not a high license fee at all. It is doubtful whether it has restricted the number of saloons—unless those of the kitchen-cell variety. A high license law to be effective should be so heavy as to compel the abandonment of a considerable number of places for the dispensing of liquor.

than \$500 will accomplish this.

A smaller fee is a revenue bill calculated to fill the township or city treasury at the expense of those who enjoy the monopoly for the sale of liquor. So far as it goes it is good. The traffic can well afford to pay the tax levied upon it and it is right that it should.

Assessments for the support of the poor, and for police might well receive aid from this source, since the traffic is directly responsible for much disorder and poverty.

Yet after all, temperance laws are not revenue laws. Their main design is not to raise money in an easy way upon a flourishing traffic, but to curtail and cripple it because of its injury to the community.

It is time for the temperance sentiment to be aroused to the support of the law, and if possible, to such an amendment of it at an early day as shall make it more effective.

The temperance sentiment of the people without regard to party has saved some of the most valuable features of last year's law. That same sentiment, if wisely expressed, can procure its thorough enforcement and improvement. Temperance men should hold on to every inch of ground they have gained, looking to further progress when the opportunity shall offer.

## Township Committee Business.

The Township Committee met on Monday evening to begin business for the new year. The West End Hose Company was represented by a delegation with a petition asking for recognition and equipment as part of the Fire Department. The chairman of the Fire Committee, Mr. Cook, gave the West Enders all the encouragement he could, but which was not for the present a great deal, the money at the disposal of the Committee for the current year being needed for the proper equipment of the present force.

Mr. F. G. Tower pointed out the necessity of street lights on Clark Street, Glen Ridge, and the matter was referred to the Road Committee.

Howell Johnson was re-appointed Chief of the Fire Department at a salary of \$100, and Wm. B. Corby's appointment as First Assistant Chief confirmed.

Committee-man Charles L. Sebert was made Township Treasurer for the year.

Assessor S. H. Baxter was appointed Health Inspector and Secretary of the Health Board, of which Committee-man Ward was made Chairman.

Treasurer Sebert gives notice that all orders against the Township will be paid on Saturday, March 30th, from 2 to 4 P.M., at the Collector's Office, Dodd's Building, Bloomfield.

The Township Committee advertises for proposals, to be submitted April 1st, for laying stone sidewalks and crosswalks.

## In Memoriam—Samuel Toombs.

Mr. Samuel Toombs, widely known and highly esteemed as a journalist and member of the Grand Army, died at his home in Orange on Thursday evening of last week, having been ill for the greater part of the past year.

At a special meeting of the Thirteenth Regiment N. J. V. Veteran Association, held in Newark Saturday evening, the following was adopted as the report of the committee appointed by the chairman, Capt. A. M. Matthews, to draft resolutions relative to the death of Mr. Toombs, Corresponding Secretary of the Association:

Comrade Samuel Toombs was born at Newark, N. J., July 7, 1844. When the celebrated New Jersey Volunteers was organized in 1862, Toombs was one of the first to enlist, being then but 18 years of age, enlisting as a private of Company F. He served with his company and regiment through the battle of Antietam, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Re-cess, Kulp's Farm, Peach Tree Creek, Siege of Atlanta, Sherman's March to the Sea, Capture of Savannah, the campaign in the Carolinas, battles of Avery's Ford and Bentonville, besides numerous skirmishes. Mustered out with his regiment at the close of the war, he resumed his work in civil life.

He was soon re-employed in his company as a sergeant, both to his military and civic career. It was a pleasure for him to aid others, and his willing hands have greatly aided every organization he has ever connected with.

Our committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this association has received with profound regret and sorrow, intelligence of the death of comrade

Resolved, That we tender to his immediate family and relatives the assurance of our deep sympathy in the loss they have sustained.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered in the records of this association, and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That this association attend the funeral of our deceased comrade.

Mr. Toombs entered the field of active journalism in the spring of 1876 as city editor and foreman of the Orange Journal, then just purchased by Oliver Johnson.

When Mr. Johnson retired in 1879, Mr. Toombs leased the paper for one year. In April, 1880, he purchased the Journal from Mr. Johnson, and in October, 1882, changed it to a semi-weekly. On January 1st, 1883, he discontinued the publication of the mid-week edition and on April 11th of that year sold the paper to Edgar Williams, its present proprietor.

He then became actively identified with the Gettysburg Monument movement and rendered valuable services in connection with the New Jersey Monumental Association in promoting the erection of monuments, chiefly that of his own regiment, the Thirteenth. He also in 1887 wrote and published his book, "New Jersey Troops in the Gettysburg Campaign," a valuable historical work.

On April 21, 1888, a p'm that he had been confined for years was realized by the publication of the first issue of the Evening Mail, which he started with Daniel P. Hays, his associate on the Journal.

The death of Mr. Toombs in the midst of a busy and useful life occasions a deep feeling of regret and sorrow among his many intimate friends. Veteran committee members of the various patriotic associations City and County, as well as the State Legislature, will pay tribute to his memory in the adoption of suitable resolutions. The East Orange Gazette, in an extended obituary notice, voices the sentiment of all when it says:

In the death of Mr. Toombs journals mark, and we, may safely say, a unique figure. Few men in his profession have had a more varied experience, or led a more active life than he. After having served creditably as a soldier in the Union army, he became a printer, and next a journalist, and naturally a politician.

He was of a mercurial temperament, ever sanguine, and possessed an unswayed degree that exceptional trait of character which is vaguely defined by the term "personal magnetism." Few men possessed the happy faculty of making such warm, close friendships as did Mr. Toombs. This was evidenced by the fidelity of his political and Grand Army associates throughout his chequered career.

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The funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon in the First Presbyterian Church, and were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Henry M. Storrs. Two hymns were sung by a double quartet composed of E. G. Hassel, H. C. Williams, F. W. Baldwin, J. R. Mix, G. P. Mandeville, W. J. Hall, J. O. B. Harrison and Charles Hall. The church was filled to overflowing, the entire door being reserved for relatives and the various organizations that were represented. Among these were eighty members of Uzal Dodd Post, Grand Army of the Republic; eighty members of the 13th New Jersey Veterans, fifty of the Union Republican League of Essex County, twenty of the Republican City Central Committee, and twenty of the press representatives of the Oranges. The pallbearers were Amherst, Matthews, Edward H. Williams, Joseph B. Bray, George H. Gill, Mark A. Ward and Geo. W. Lawrence. The burial was in Fairmount Cemetery.

To the Casket:

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